

GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
Board Meeting Minutes * February 26, 2021
Conference Call/ZOOM

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Psychologists met via teleconference/ZOOM Friday, February 26, 2021. The Board's Executive Director hosted the meeting from the Professional Licensing Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

Members Present:

Marsha B. Sauls, Ph.D. – President
Linda F. Campbell, Ph.D. – Vice-President
Scott C. Smith, Psy.D.
William F. Doverspike, Ph.D.
Emily Burton, Ph.D.

Members Absent:

George Bratcher, Consumer Member

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Assistant Attorney General:

Bryon Thernes, Esq., AAG

Dr. Marsha Sauls, President, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:42 a.m.

Agenda: Approve

Visitors Present: (Open Session)

Michael Rose, Ph.D., GPA Liaison
Gayle Spears, Executive Director, GPA
Leah M. Bougere, Ph.D.
Dr. Arthur Bennett, Ph.D., Applicant
Dr. Becky Beaton, Ph.D.

GPA Liaison Report:

Dr. Gayle Spears, Executive Director, provided updates on the GPA activities to the Board.

Meeting Minutes:

- January 22, 2021 C.C./Zoom Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as presented

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 22, 2021 Conference Call/Zoom Board meeting minutes as amended. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- R. Shook – RE Peer Consultation – CE's - *The individual who is designated as the leader of the peer consultation group must be a Georgia licensed psychologist whose license is under the jurisdiction of the Georgia Psychology Board. Peers are other doctoral level licensed psychologists. The purpose of Rule 510-8-.02 (Types of Continuing Education) is to encourage continuing professional development of psychologists, not to provide supervision of students or consultation with other mental health professionals. Although such activities are important, they fall outside the scope of Rule 510-8-.02. There is no language in Rule 510-8-.02 (3) (b) that prohibits the use of telepsychology. Please see Rule 510-8-.02 (3) (b) for additional details.*

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted approve the recommendation for the Board staff to respond accordingly to the above correspondence. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 1/22/2021 - 2/25/2021

license No	Licensee
PSY004471	Demetress Yvonne Cheek
PSY004472	Francheska Marie Bidot Rodriguez
PSY004473	Charles Edward Cancilla
PSY004474	Richard Michael Podolin
PSY004475	Bridget Mae Williams
PSY004476	Lana Ashley Holmes
PSY004477	Arthur Lee Bennett, Jr.
PSY004478	Sharria Winnette Abraham
PSY004479	Samantha Carol Patton

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to approve the ratification list as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k) (1) (2), §43-1-2-(k) (3) (4), §50-14-2(1) and §43-1-2 (k) (4) to conduct the scheduled Board appearance, receive the Cognizant (complaint) and AG reports, review the prior meetings executive session minutes and review/deliberate on applications. Voting in favor were Board members Sauls, Campbell, Doverspike, Smith and Burton.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on February 26, 2021, Dr. Sauls declared the meeting “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No Board votes obtained during Executive Session.

Denied Board Appearance Conducted:

- S.M. 10:00 a.m.

Recommendation:

Tabled, Pending receipt of additional information

Exec. Session Correspondence:

- L.S.J.

Recommendation:

Respond as directed

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted approve the recommendation for the Board staff to respond accordingly to the above executive session correspondence as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Renewal Issue:

- B.E.

Recommendation:

Renew License

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to approve the renewal of the above licenses as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Applications:

- L.B.
- N.N.

Recommendation:

Approve to sit for exam

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- K.M. Approve to sit for exam
- M.C. Approve to sit for exam
- C.G. Approve to sit for exam
- V.W. Approve to sit for exam
- D.W. Approve to sit for exam
- S.M. Approve to sit for exam
- T.H. Approve to sit for exam
- J.M. Approve to sit for exam
- K.S. Approve to sit for exam
- G.J. Approve to sit for exam
- K.M. Approve to sit for exam
- A.R. Approve to sit for exam
- F.F. Approve to sit for exam
- J.H. Approve to sit for exam
- R.M-M. Approve to sit for exam
- M.W. Approve-Pending receipt of additional information
- S.M. Tabled, Pending receipt of additional information
- A.B. Approve to sit for exam
- E.G. Denied

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations on all applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Administered Oral Exams:

- K.P.
- M.S.B.
- A.D.
- M.J.B.
- J.C.
- J.M.
- K.N.
- C.C.
- C.A.

Recommendation:

- Pass; Issue License
- Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information
- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations on all oral examination candidates. None opposed, motion carried

Executive Session Meeting Minutes:

- January 15, 2021 Cognizant Committee (Inv Int's)
- January 22, 2021 C.C./ZOOM Board Meeting

Recommendation:

- Approve as Presented
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Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 15, 2021 Conference Call/ZOOM Board Executive Session Cognizant Committee meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 22, 2021 Conference Call/ZOOM Board executive session meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Attorney General's Report:

Bryon Thernes, Assistant Attorney General, provided a status report, which included information on any cases referred for action, requests for advice and /or requests for authority for proposed rules.

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Cognizant – Complaint Report/Recommendations:

Recommend Closure: PSYC210006, PSYC210011, PSYC210022, PSYC210023, PSYC210025
(PSYC210020 Closure Stands)

Recommend Pending Receipt of Additional Information: PSYC200018, PSYC210026, PSYC200010/200029, PSYC210021, PSYC210024

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to approve all the recommendations of the Cognizant as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

PLB Legal Section ADA Accommodation Ratification:

- A.Y.

Recommendation:

Approve

Board Rules Discussion:

- 510-2-.05 Internship and Postdoctoral Supervised Work Experience – *Tabled for review during March 26, 2021 Board meeting*

There being no further business for discussion, Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

MARSHA SAULS, Ph.D.

President

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director Healthcare 1

Minutes approved on: **March 26, 2021**